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Lieutenant General R. E. Cushman, Jr., USMC  
Deputy Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Bob:

As you relinquish your duties as Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, I should like to express my personal and professional pleasure at having had the privilege of serving under your leadership for the better part of three years.

You brought to the Agency a keen intellect, integrity, and a friendly firmness from which we have all benefited. We know that you have been our champion on many occasions when the easier course might have been personally more pleasant or advantageous. We are most grateful and deeply appreciative. In short, you have justly won our respect, admiration, and lasting friendship.

We are sorry to lose you but feel that this country and the U. S. Marine Corps were extremely fortunate when the President selected you as the next Commandant.

Sincerely,

(Signed) " RED "

L. K. White  
Executive Director

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